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Ms. Hesse:

I would like to express my support for the revised proposed Final Judgment in the U.S. v. Microsoft case. This lengthy litigation has cost my fellow taxpayers and me more than \$35 million, and after reviewing the terms of this Judgment, final approval is clearly in the public interest.

This case was supposedly brought on behalf of American consumers. We have paid the price of litigation through our taxes. Our investment portfolios have taken a hard hit during this battle, and now more than ever, the country needs the economic stability this settlement can provide. This settlement is in the public interest, and I urge the DOJ to submit the revised proposed Final Judgment to the U.S. District Court without change.

Sincerely,

Dorothy H. Howard